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## **PAST POSITIONS**

Director, Intelligence Project, Southern Poverty Law Center, 2012-2019 Co-Director, Intelligence Project, 2009-2012 Deputy Director, Intelligence Project, 2004-2009 Senior Writer, Intelligence Project, 2000-2004

## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Political Science, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, 1998 M.A., Political Science, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA, 1993 M.A., Economics, U.C. Riverside, Riverside, CA., 1990 B.A., International Development Studies, U.C. Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, 1989

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

"Many Southerners are Unwilling to Remove the Confederate Flag," *The Confederate Flag (Current Controversies)*, Greenhave PR, ed. Anne C. Cunningham, 2018.

"Anti-Muslim Hate Groups: A Primer," *Countering the Islamophobia Industry: Toward more Effective Strategies*, The Carter Center, May 2018. "Backlash: Racism and the Presidency of Barack Obama," *Barack Obama and the Vision of Post-Racial America*, Routledge, ed. Kevern Verney, 2013. "Hate Across the Waters: The Role of American Extremists in Fostering an International White Consciousness," *Rightwing Populism Across Europe: Politics and Discourse*, eds. Ruth Wodak, Majid Khosravinik, and Brigitte Mral, Bloomsbury Academic, 2013.

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- "USA: Hate Groups, Radical-Right Violence, on the Rise," with Mark Potok, *Policing*, Vol. 3, 2009.
- "White Nationalism in America," with Kevin Hicks, *Hate Crimes*, (Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 2008).
- "Taking on Hate: One NGO's Strategies," with Mark Potok, *Hate Crimes: Responding to Hate Crimes*, Vol. 5 (Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 2008). *Neo-Confederacy: A Critical Introduction*, eds, Heidi Beirich, Euan Hague and Ed Sebesta. (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2008). [Listed as a book of "critical interest" in the Summer 2009 issue of *Critical Inquiry*] "National Alliance," with Mark Potok, *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism*, 2008.
- "Southern Poverty Law Center," with Mark Potok, *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism*, 2008.
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- "When Left Meets Right," *Voices of Terror*, ed. Walter Laqueur. New York: Reed Press, 2004.
- "From Push to Shove," with Bob Moser, *Violence and Terrorism*, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, edited by Thomas J. Badey, New York: McGraw Hill, 2003.
- "Globalization, Workers and the Northern League," with Dwayne Woods, *West European Politics*, January 2000.
- "The Judicialization of Politics: Contemporary Trends in Research in European and Other Courts," *West European Politics*, July 1999.
- "The Satanic Verses," *Encyclopedia on Censorship*. London: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers, 2001.

The Role of the Constitutional Tribunal in Spanish Politics (1980-1995), Ph.D. dissertation, Purdue University, Dec. 1998.

The Birth of Spanish Militarism: The Bourbon Military Reforms, (1766-1792), MA thesis, San Diego State University, 1994.

## SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER REPORTS

Reports on Military Extremism (served as an editor and/or contributing author)

- "Feds: Coast Guard Lieutenant Has Neo-Nazi Ties, Had List of Targets," Hatewatch, February 2019.
- "Antigovernment 'Patriots' Show Up at Military Recruiting Centers Nationwide to 'Protect the Protectors," *Intelligence Report*, August 2015.

- "West Virginia Klan Leader Claims Returning Military Will Help Them Train for the 'Upcoming Battle," Hatewatch, June 2014.
- "Militia Member Pleads Guilty in Military ID Theft," Hatewatch, April 2014.
- "After Hatewatch Story, Maryland Military Engineer is Suspended," Hatewatch, July 2013.
- "SPLC Urges Congress to Investigate Extremism in the Military," Hatewatch, July 2009.
- "Evidence Shows Racist Skinheads Enlisting in Military," *Intelligence Report*, November 2008.
- "FBI Reports on Extremists in the Military," *Intelligence Report*, August 2008.
- "Pentagon Stiffens Regulations to Ban Racist Advocacy," *Intelligence Report*, May 2010.
- "Leaked Neo-Nazi Emails Show Contacts with Military Personnel," Hatewatch, September 2009.
- "Marines Arrest Again Raises Issue of Extremists in the Military," Hatewatch, February 2009.
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- "Extremism and the Military," *Intelligence Report*, August 2006.
- "Several High-Profile Racist Extremists Serve in the U.S. Military," Intelligence Report, August 2006.

Other Reports (served as primary author)

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Dangerous Liaisons: The American Religious Right and the Criminalization of Homosexuality in Belize, July 2013.

Attacking the Constitution: State Legislators for Legal Immigration and the Anti-Immigrant Movement, SPLC Special Report, March 2011.

*Greenwash: Nativists, Environmentalism and the Hypocrisy of Hate,* SPLC Special Report, July 2009.

The Nativist Lobby, SPLC Special Report, February 2009.

Other Reports (served as contributing editor/co-author)

The Council for National Policy: Behind the Curtain, May 2016. War in the West: The Bundy Ranch Standoff and the American Radical

*Right*, June 2014.

Agenda 21: The UN, Sustainability, and Right-Wing Conspiracy Theory, April 2014.

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When Mr. Kobach Comes to Town, SPLC Special Report, January 2011. Climate of Fear: Latino Immigrants in Suffolk County, N.Y., September 2009.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE REPORT ARTICLES

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- "Is Demography Really Destiny?" Intelligence Report, February 2019.
- "The Year in Hate: Rage Against Change," *Intelligence Report*, February 2019
- "Hate Groups Reach Record High," Intelligence Report, February 2019.
- "Resolute: The Battle Against Hate Requires Vigilance," *Intelligence Report*, September 2019.
- "What's Next: Confronting Hate," Intelligence Report, August 2018.
- "From Rhetoric to Violence and Back," Intelligence Report, October 2018.
- "Trump's Anti-Muslim Words and Policies Have Consequences," *Intelligence Report*, April 2018.
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- "After Charlottesville: Can We Finally put an End to White Supremacy?" *Intelligence Report*, February 2018.
- "All Forms of Violence Need Condemnation," *Intelligence Report*, August 2017.
- "Domestic Terrorism Remains Significant Threat Five Years After Sikh Massacre," *Intelligence Report*, August 2017.
- "Hate Groups like the Center for Immigration Studies Want You to Believe they are Mainstream," Hatewatch, March 2017.
- "The Year in Hate and Extremism," Intelligence Report, Spring 2017.
- "Neo-Nazi Lawyer Represents Baltimore in Suit over Wrongful Arrest and 19-Year Imprisonment of Black Man," *Intelligence Report*, August 2016.
- "Dallas Sniper Connected to Black Separatist Hate Groups on Facebook," Hatewatch, July 2016.
- "Furling the Flag," *Intelligence Report*, October 2015.
- "20 Years of Hate," Intelligence Report, June 2015.
- "'Nativist Extremist' Groups Continue to Fall," Intelligence Report, March

2015.

- "White Identity Worldwide," Intelligence Report, November 2014.
- "After the Killing," *Intelligence Report*, Fall 2014.
- "White Homicide Worldwide," Intelligence Report, Summer 2014.
- "Financing Hate," Intelligence Report, Spring 2014.

## RECENT PRESENTATIONS

"Change the Terms: Approaches for Addressing a New Era of Online Hate," RightsCon Tunis, Tunis, Tunisia, June 12, 2019.

Keynote Panel: "Perspectives on the Far-Right Insurgency: Latin America, Europe, and the U.S," U.C. Berkeley Center for Right-Wing Studies, Berkeley, CA, April 25, 2019.

"Hate in America," Shepard Symposium, University of Wyoming, Cheyenne, WY, April 12, 2019.

"The Ethics of Public Commemoration," Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, November 12, 2018.

"Hate Groups and Extremism," San Mateo Bar Association, San Mateo, CA, October 2018.

"Reducing Hate Online," Center for American Progress, Washington, D.C., Oct. 25, 2018.

"Life After Hate: Defeating White Supremacy," Women in the World 2017 Summit, New York, NY, November 2017.

"Hate on the Rise—And What We Can Do To Stop It," Aspen Ideas Festival, Aspen, CO, August 2017.

"White Supremacist Terrorism," Duke University & Triangle Center on Terrorism and Homeland Security, Durham, NC, Feb. 22, 2107.

"The Growth of Hate Groups in America," Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Washington, D.C., May 19, 2016.

"Extremist Groups in America," Seattle PD Hate Crimes Conference, April 26, 2016.

"Racism, Violence & Democracy," MIT, Cambridge, MA, Oct. 13, 2016.

"What is Violent Extremism: A Global and US Perspective," Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH, Oct. 6, 2016.

Panel Remarks, DiscoveryID release of "Hate in America," Paley Center, New York, NY, Feb. 25, 2016.

Remarks to George Washington University-SPLC event on domestic terrorism hosting Assistant Attorney General John Carlin, Washington, D.C., Oct. 14, 2015.

"Hate and Extremism Today," Blount Honors College, University of

Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, April 6, 2015.

Series of presentations on extremism for academic network, American University, Washington, D.C., Feb. 20-21, 2015.

"The Rising Tide of Hate in America," New College of Florida, Sarasota, FL., Feb. 19, 2015.

Remarks, DiscoveryID release "Hate in America," Paley Center, New York, NY, Feb. 12, 2015.

Panel Remarks at release of "Welcome to Leith," Sundance Film Festival, Park City, UT, Jan. 26, 2015.